2008-2009 PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

Offered by the World Languages Professional Development Collaborative:

Foreign Language Educators of New Jersey, New Jersey Principals and Supervisors Association and the

New Jersey Department of Education

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Two-Part Technology Workshop Series

Sessions held at: NJPSA, Monroe Township 9AM-3PM Registration Fee for Series: \$250 Registration Fee per Session: \$135

Part I - Technology and 21st Century Language Learning: Keeping Chalk dust Out of the Ethernet

October 23, 2008

Presenter: Tom Welch, TWelch Consulting, Kentucky

"When Worlds Collide" is no longer sci-fi, it's classroom reality. From widgets and Wikis to the XO and Open Source, this workshop will provide an overview and demo of some of the latest technology available for language learning. In addition, time will be spent grappling with emerging ed tech trends and how they impact classrooms, and the opportunities and responsibilities of NJ language teachers. What's here? What's new? What's ahead? How will you define your place in a changing world?

Part II - Learn From the BEST: NJ Teachers Using Technology

January 21, 2009

New Jersey Educators at Work using PowerPoint, PhotoStory, Podcasting, Digital Recording, Moviemaking, Blogs & Wikis. Interact with colleagues to learn new techniques and to share ideas on integrating 21st century technology into your lessons. Come Learn from the BEST!

FLENJ at the NJEA Convention November 6 & 7, 2008 Location: Atlantic City Convention Center

Keynote – Greg Duncan
The Students Are Talking. Are We Listening?

Workshops are free of charge for NJEA members.

Information will be reported in the NJEA Review and on the FLENJ website: flenj.org.

Two-Part Workshop Series on Special Needs Students

Sessions held at PSE & G Conference Center in Edison, NJ 9AM-3PM
Member Registration Fee for Series: \$175
Member Registration Fee per Session: \$100
Non-Member Registration Fee for Series: \$250
Non-Member Registration Fee per Session: \$135

Part I - Differentiated Instruction to Support and Challenge our 21st Century Learners December 4, 2008

Presenter: Toni Theisen, Loveland High School, Colorado, National Board Certified teacher, & SWCOLT Nominee for 2009 Teacher of the Year

Our 21st century learners need a multi-sensory and multi-layered learning environment that is designed to inspire creativity, synthesis, and collaboration, as well as provide opportunities to analyze, reflect, and evaluate. But how do we reach all of our 21st century students? Participants will review the research and explore the concepts of differentiated instruction as well as experience strategies such as choice boards, RAFT writing activities and tiered lessons. Participants will then examine and design activities that apply higher level questioning techniques. Finally participants will take a look at tools that makes learning come alive for our 21st century digital learners.

Part II - Dare to Differentiate February 6, 2009

Presenters: Leslie M. Grahn & Deborah Espitia: Howard County Public Schools, Maryland

Embark on a journey through differentiation. Fill your backpack with background knowledge, strategies, and resources. Those who wish to accept the challenge will participate in simulations, receive a survival kit, and create differentiated activities for immediate use in the classroom to meet the needs of all students. Take the dare.

*****2009 ANNUAL FLENJ SPRING CONFERENCE****

March 20 & 21, 2009 - SAVE THE DATES!

Teachers at the Core

Keynote speaker on March 21 – Myriam Met Double Tree Hotel, Somerset

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